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SUBJECT: US-THAI EVALUATION OF BILATERAL NARCOTICS
COOPERATION

REFS: A. BANGKOK 10051, B. BANGKOK 10056, C. ROBERTS-
VANCE MEMO DATED MARCH 29, 1976

1. WE AGREE THAT THE EMBASSY SHOULD RESUME PREPARATIONS
FOR THE JOINT US-THAI NARCOTICS EVALUATION AS SOON AS
POSSIBLE. REGARDING THE HELICOPTER PORTION OF THE EVALUA-
TION, WE CONCUR WITH THE EMBASSY'S EXCELLENT DRAFT AGENDA.
WE WOULD ONLY OFFER THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

A. WE WISH TO EMPHASIZE OUR AGREEMENT THAT THE EVALUATION
SHOULD ADDRESS ITSELF TO ALL TNPd AVIATION ASSETS, NOT
JUST THOSE PROVIDED BY CCINC.

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B. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE TNPd HAS SEVERAL ADDITIONAL

HELICOPTERS ON ORDER FROM BELL, AND WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THESE ADDITIONAL AIRCRAFT INCLUDED UNDER PROPOSED AGENDA ITEM 2B.

2. THERE IS, HOWEVER, ANOTHER MORE FUNDAMENTAL POINT WHICH WE THINK SHOULD BE KEPT IN MIND WHILE PLANNING

THE EVALUATION. AS YOU KNOW, THE DEPARTMENT ENVISIONS A COMPREHENSIVE DIALOGUE DESIGNED TO EVALUATE ALL ASPECTS OF OUR BILATERAL NARCOTICS COOPERATION AND ASSISTANCE. SUCH A BROAD APPROACH WOULD NECESSARILY ADDRESS THE ENTIRE SPECTRUM OF ISSUES RAISED IN REFERENCE C. HELICOPTER USAGE WOULD BE JUST ONE PART OF SUCH AN EVALUATION, AND THE THAI SHOULD CLEARLY UNDERSTAND THIS. MOREOVER, THEY SHOULD BE MADE AWARE THAT WE BELIEVE THAT ANY DECISION REGARDING ANY ASPECT OF OUR NARCOTICS COOPERATION SHOULD AWAIT THE COMPLETION OF THE ENTIRE EVALUATION.

3. THE SUMMARY SURVEY TEAM REPORT (REFERENCE C) SHOULD SERVE AS A GUIDE FOR DRAWING UP THE FULL EVALUATION AGENDA. THE "INDIVIDUAL ANNEXES" REFERRED TO IN REFTEL A ARE BEING POUCHED, BUT THEY REFLECT THE VIEWS OF THE INDIVIDUAL TEAM MEMBERS CONCERNED, AND NOT THE GROUP CONSENSUS REPRESENTED BY THE SUMMARY REPORT. IN ORDER TO EXPEDITE DETERMINATION OF THE EVALUATION'S FULL AGENDA, WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING THE EMBASSY'S COMMENTS ON THIS REPORT (REFERENCE C).

4. SUBMISSION OF THE ABOVE COMMENTS SHOULD BE COUPLED WITH THE EMBASSY'S PROPOSALS FOR THE FULL AGENDA. AT THE SAME TIME, YOU MAY WISH TO CONSIDER THE APPROPRIATE ORDER OF AGENDA ITEMS. IS IT WISE TO DISCUSS A SPECIALIZED TOPIC SUCH AS HELICOPTER USAGE IN ADVANCE OF MORE CENTRAL ISSUES SUCH AS CORRUPTION, RECYCLING, SUPPORT RECEIVED BY TRAFFICKING GROUPS, AND SO FORTH?

5. WE THINK IT WOULD BE BETTER NOT TO HAVE A WASHINGTON REPRESENTATIVE PARTICIPATE IN THE JOINT EVALUATION. WE DO NOT WANT TO GIVE THE THAI THE MISTAKEN IMPRESSION
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THAT THERE MIGHT BE SOME CHANNEL OTHER THAN THE EMBASSY FOR DISCUSSING NARCOTICS POLICY ISSUES. SISCO

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